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JULY 2001 WHEAT AND OAT PRODUCTION FORECAST

Nebraska's 2001 **winter wheat** crop is forecast at 66.3 million bushels, up 8% from last month and 12% above last year's crop. Average yield is forecast at 39 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from last month and last year and 1.6 bushels above the ten year average.

Acreage to be harvested for grain is estimated at 1.7 million acres, unchanged from last month but up 3% from last year. As of July 1, topsoil and subsoil moisture supplies were rated adequate to short across the major wheat growing areas of the State. With the later maturing crop, harvest began about one week

behind normal. Disease, insect pressure, and weather damage have been light to date.

Counts from randomly selected fields from our Wheat Objective Yield survey indicated that head counts per square foot were below average, and the lowest since 1996, while grains per head were greater than normal.

Oat production is forecast at 3.32 million bushels, up 75% from last year's drought reduced crop. Acreage for harvest, at 65,000 acres, is up 20,000 acres from 2000. Yield is forecast at 51 bushels per acre, up 9 bushels from last year.

WINTER WHEAT AND OATS: AREA HARVESTED, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION NEBRASKA, AND UNITED STATES 1999-2001

Classification	NEBRASKA			UNITED STATES		
	1999	2000	2001 <u>1/</u>	1999	2000	2001 <u>1/</u>
Winter Wheat:						
Harvested for Grain <u>2/</u> Percent	89.0	94.0	94.0	82.0	81.0	77.0
For harvest 1,000 Acres	1,700	1,650	1,700	35,486	35,022	31,657
Yield Bushels	48.0	36.0	39.0	47.8	44.6	43.2
Production 1,000 Bushels	81,600	59,400	66,300	1,696,580	1,562,733	1,366,192
Oats:						
Harvested for Grain <u>2/</u> Percent	56.0	35.0	45.0	52.0	52.0	50.0
For harvest 1,000 Acres	75	45	65	2,453	2,324	2,186
Yield Bushels	62.0	42.0	51.0	59.6	64.2	60.5
Production 1,000 Bushels	4,650	1,890	3,315	146,193	149,195	132,150

1/ Forecast as of July 1, 2001. 2/ Percent of seeded acreage.

**WINTER WHEAT -- ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION
BY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS, NEBRASKA, 2000-2001 1/**

District	Acres Planted		Acres Harvested		Yield per Harv. Acre		Production	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	1,000 acres				Bushels		1,000 bushels	
Northwest	780.0	807.0	739.9	759.0	36.2	34.7	26,805.1	26,304.0
North	14.0	12.0	13.3	11.5	41.1	36.0	546.0	414.0
Northeast	2.0	3.0	1.7	2.5	34.9	38.0	59.4	95.0
Central	26.0	25.0	24.7	23.5	38.4	42.0	948.9	987.0
East	25.0	23.0	24.4	21.5	33.4	39.0	814.5	839.0
Southwest	550.0	570.0	518.8	547.0	34.4	43.0	17,850.5	23,521.0
South	193.0	200.0	177.6	185.0	42.5	44.0	7,539.8	8,140.0
Southeast	160.0	160.0	149.6	150.0	32.3	40.0	4,835.8	6,000.0
NEBRASKA	1,750.0	1,800.0	1,650.0	1,700.0	36.0	39.0	59,400.0	66,300.0

1/ Current crop forecast as of July 1, 2001.

WINTER WHEAT -- ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION -- SELECTED STATES 1/

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State	Area Harvested		Yield per Acre			Production	
	2000	2001	2000	2001		2000	2001
				June 1	July 1		
	1,000 acres			Bushels		1,000 bushels	
Colorado	2,350	2,050	29.0	34.0	35.0	68,150	71,750
Kansas	9,400	8,400	37.0	34.0	39.0	347,800	327,600
Missouri	950	760	52.0	50.0	54.0	49,400	41,040
Montana	1,350	950	33.0	29.0	24.0	44,550	22,800
NEBRASKA	1,650	1,700	36.0	36.0	39.0	59,400	66,300
Oklahoma	4,200	3,800	34.0	27.0	32.0	142,800	121,600
South Dakota	1,280	370	42.0	33.0	34.0	53,760	12,580
Texas	2,200	3,000	30.0	32.0	34.0	66,000	102,000
Washington	1,800	1,750	73.0	63.0	61.0	131,400	106,750
United States	35,022	31,657	44.6	41.2	43.2	1,562,733	1,366,192

1/ Current crop forecast as of July 1, 2001.

U.S. GRAINS SUPPLY AND DISAPPEARANCE OUTLOOK

CROP YEAR	S U P P L Y				MARKET YEAR DISAPPEARANCE				Market Year Ending Stocks	Average Market Price
	Pro- duction	Begin- ning Stocks	Im- ports	Total	Domestic		Ex- ports	Total		
					Primary Use	Other				
<u>CORN:</u>	Million bushels									\$/bu.
1999/00	9,431	1,787	15	11,232	5,664	1,913	1,937	9,515	1,718	1.82
2000/01	9,968	1,718	7	11,693	5,850	1,965	1,825	9,640	2,053	1.80-1.90
2001/02	9,495	2,053	15	11,563	5,725	2,035	1,975	9,735	1,828	1.75-2.15
<u>SOYBEANS:</u>										
1999/00	2,654	348	4	3,006	1,579	164	973	2,716	290	4.63
2000/01	2,770	290	3	3,063	1,625	188	995	2,808	255	4.50
2001/02	2,935	255	4	3,194	1,660	174	1,015	2,849	345	4.00-5.00
<u>WHEAT:</u>										
1999/00	2,299	946	95	3,339	925	376	1,090	2,390	950	2.48
2000/01	2,223	950	90	3,263	960	365	1,065	2,390	873	2.62
2001/02	1,974	873	95	2,942	970	312	1,050	2,332	610	2.70-3.30
<u>SORGHUM:</u>										
1999/00	595	65	0	660	284	55	256	595	65	1.57
2000/01	470	65	0	535	235	35	230	500	35	1.75-1.85
2001/02	615	35	0	650	275	60	250	585	65	1.60-2.00

Source: USDA World Outlook Board estimates of July 11, 2001.

**CATTLE ON FEED: INVENTORIES, PLACEMENTS, MARKETINGS
& OTHER DISAPPEARANCE, 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS 1/**

STATE	JULY 1 NUMBER ON FEED 1/			JUNE PLACEMENTS			JUNE MARKETINGS			JUNE OTHER DISAPPEARANCE 2/		
	2000	2001	<u>2001</u> <u>2000</u>	2000	2001	<u>2001</u> <u>2000</u>	2000	2001	<u>2001</u> <u>2000</u>	2000	2001	<u>2001</u> <u>2000</u>
	1,000 head			1,000 head			1,000 head			1,000 head		
			%			%			%			%
Arizona*	274	291	106	34	32	94	35	33	94	1	13	1300
California* . .	410	470	115	58	77	133	53	51	96	5	6	120
Colorado* . . .	1,100	1,110	101	150	160	107	250	205	82	10	5	50
Idaho	290	320	110	60	69	115	65	68	105	10	1	10
Iowa*	345	345	100	46	36	78	55	55	100	1	1	100
Kansas*	2,160	2,350	109	360	445	124	485	485	100	5	10	200
Nebraska* . .	1,950	1,900	97	315	320	102	460	500	109	5	10	200
New Mexico . .	89	100	112	15	32	213	16	12	75	0	1	
Oklahoma . . .	355	390	110	62	78	126	78	60	77	4	3	75
So. Dakota . .	144	175	122	18	21	117	37	41	111	2	5	250
Texas*	2,730	3,000	110	450	620	138	510	495	97	10	15	150
Washington . .	202	227	112	48	42	88	61	58	95	1	1	100
Other Sts	350	335	96	48	35	73	70	59	84	3	6	200
U.S.	10,399	11,013	106	1,664	1,967	118	2,175	2,122	98	57	77	135
7 States	8,969	9,466	106	1,413	1,690	120	1,848	1,824	99	37	60	162

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. 2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.
* Historical 7 States.

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, UNITED STATES, JULY 1, 1999-2001

CLASS	1999	2000	2001	2001 as % of 2000
	T h o u s a n d h e a d			P e r c e n t
Cattle and Calves	107,000	106,300	105,800	100
Cows and Heifers that have Calved	43,300	43,200	43,000	100
Beef Cows	34,150	33,950	33,850	100
Milk Cows	9,150	9,250	9,150	99
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over	16,600	16,500	16,400	99
For Beef Cow Replacement	4,800	4,700	4,600	98
For Milk Cow Replacement	3,700	3,700	3,600	97
Other Heifers	8,100	8,100	8,200	101
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	14,400	14,300	14,600	102
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	2,200	2,100	2,100	100
Calves Under 500 Pounds	30,500	30,200	29,700	98
Calf Crop 1/	38,796	38,621	38,400	99

1/ For the current year, the calf crop is the number of calves born before July 1 plus the number expected to be born on and after July 1.

LAMB CROP AND MARKET SHEEP AND LAMBS INVENTORY, BY REGION AND U.S., JULY 1, 2001 1/

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Regions 2/	Lambs Born Through June 30 3/	Lambs Expected After June 30 4/	Total Lamb Crop	Breeding Ewes 1+ Jan. 1	Market Lambs					Market Sheep	Market Sheep and Lambs	All Sheep and Lambs
					Under 65 lbs.	65 to 84 lbs.	85 to 105 lbs.	Over 105 lbs.	Total			
1,000 head												
Region 1 .	595	215	810	793	155	170	140	55	520	10	530	1,430
Region 2 .	675	125	800	845	420	135	30	25	610	20	630	1,780
Region 3 .	1,400	20	1,420	1,335	935	175	90	115	1,315	20	1,335	2,885
Region 4 .	690	60	750	538	265	140	100	60	565	10	575	1,275
Region 5 .	575	60	635	550	175	80	40	25	320	10	330	930
U.S.	3,935	480	4,415	4,061	1,950	700	400	280	3,330	70	3,400	8,300

1/ Lamb crop is lambs born in the Native States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States. 2/ States included in regions as follows: 1 - AZ, CA, ID, NV, OR, & WA; 2 - NM & TX; 3 - CO, MT, SD, UT, & WY; 4 - IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, & OK; 5 - all other states. 3/ Lambs born alive between January 1, through June 30, 2001. 4/ Lambs expected to be born July through December 2001.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

Item & Quarter	October-December		January-March		April-June	
	1999	2000	2000	2001	2000	2001
T h o u s a n d h e a d						
Milk cows <u>1/</u>						
Nebraska	75	79	75	77	75	74
20 States	7,753	7,808	7,769	7,769	7,799	7,745
United States	9,171	9,211	9,188	9,157	9,213	9,124
M i l l i o n p o u n d s						
Milk production <u>2/</u>						
Nebraska	296	316	309	295	315	294
20 States	34,823	35,053	36,640	35,575	37,251	36,819
United States	40,440	40,678	42,630	41,306	43,189	42,627

1/ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION: BY MONTH, 20 SELECTED STATES, 2000-2001

Month	Milk Cows <u>1/</u>		Milk per Cow <u>2/</u>		Milk Production <u>2/</u>		
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2001 as % of 2000
	Thousands		Pounds		Million pounds		Percent
January	7,764	7,783	1,579	1,550	12,259	12,062	98
February	7,766	7,767	1,506	1,431	11,694	11,112	95
March	7,776	7,756	1,632	1,599	12,687	12,401	98
April	7,789	7,744	1,593	1,570	12,411	12,158	98
May	7,799	7,745	1,636	1,632	12,758	12,638	99
June	7,808	7,747	1,547	1,552	12,082	12,023	100
July	7,821		1,561		12,205		
August	7,820		1,525		11,928		
September	7,820		1,464		11,451		
October	7,817		1,511		11,813		
November	7,805		1,459		11,385		
December	7,803		1,519		11,855		
Annual	7,799		18,532		144,528		

1/ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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